

REMARKS

Claims 25, 46 and 48 have been amended purely for grammatical reasons and not as a response to an objection in the Office Action. Likewise, the specification has been amended for grammatical or typographical errors discovered in the published application, and not in response to statements in the Office Action.

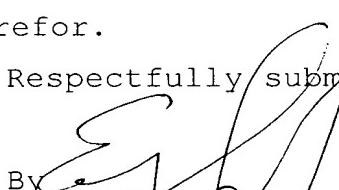
In addition, to further specify the role of the engagement elements, two new claims have been added to the specification. Claim 54 depends from Claim 7 and further explains that the engagement elements reinforce the balloon against lateral displacement when the balloon is inflated and yet permit lateral displacement when the balloon is deflated. Claim 55, a method claim depending from Claim 44, likewise explains the role of the engagement elements in reinforcing the balloon. Support for these new claims is found in the specification in paragraphs 22 and 23.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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